

**CATHEDRAL OF ST MARY
AND ST HELEN
HOLY CROSS AND ALL SAINTS**

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**31st & 32nd Sundays Ordinary Time
30th October - 13th November 2022**



Tuesday 1st November is the Feast of All Saints

GENERAL PARISH NEWS

THANK YOU to Dr Graham Hillman who steps down as administrator of the Cathedral website. Fifteen years ago, Graham volunteered to build and develop a website for the parish. His website has allowed people to access parish information and his fine photos have documented our many parish events and diocesan celebrations. In doing so, the website has given glory to God.

Graham has given a huge amount of time and technical expertise to the website which has attracted tens of thousands of visits and helped people to engage with our faith community and its mission. The parish is indebted to him for all his labours and the online legacy he leaves to us.

BRENTWOOD FOODBANK COLLECTION TODAY All the donations go to the Brentwood Food Bank to help local people in need. Donations of non-perishable items such as tinned meat/vegetables/fruit as well as toiletries and treats can be left at the collection point in the car park before and after each Mass or in the Cathedral narthex this Sunday.

If you wish to donate money instead, please place cash in an envelope clearly marked with 'Brentwood Foodbank Donation' or make cheques payable to Brentwood Foodbank.

JUST A REMINDER that British summer time ends this weekend; the clocks will go back one hour at 2.00 a.m. on **Sunday 30th October**.

COFFEE AFTER 9.30 MASS for the next two weeks will be hosted by the PACE (Parish and Community Events) group. Please do come along and join us.

THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS, a holy day of obligation, is celebrated on **Tuesday 1st November**. Pope Francis reflecting on the witness of joy seen in the saints, a joy experienced even in the midst of trials and sufferings, writes:

“The joy of the Christian is not a fleeting emotion or a simple human optimism, but the certainty of being able to face every situation under God’s loving gaze, with the courage and strength that comes from him.”

Vigil Mass Monday 31st October at 7.00 p.m. Masses on Tuesday 1st November will be at 9.15 a.m. and 1.00 p.m.

THE FEAST OF ALL SOULS, Commemoration of all the dead, on **Wednesday 2nd November**. Mass at 9.15 a.m.

PRAY for the repose of the soul of Anne (Nancy) Howard, John Ellis and Michael Dean who died recently.

Nancy’s Requiem Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Friday 28th October at 2.00 p.m.

Michael’s Requiem Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Thursday 17th November at 10.15 a.m. are not yet known.

John’s Requiem Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Tuesday 22nd November at 10.15 a.m.

May the souls of the faithful rest in the bosom of all God’s saints and one day dwell in the land of the living.

READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - you should all now have received an email with the new Cathedral Rotas starting next week **5th/6th November**; as you are the only one down for that Mass it is important to make a note of the date. Thank you for your support. Ann - messina21@btinternet.com / 01277 231593.

PRISONERS SUNDAY We will hold a second collection to support the work of prison chaplains next **Sunday, 6th November**; please be as generous as you are able.

HOLY HOUR takes place every Monday evening from 6.30 - 7.30 p.m. and is an opportunity to come into the Lord’s presence. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available during this time.

ROSARY FOR UKRAINE AND PEACE IN OUR WORLD will be prayed at 6.10 p.m. each Monday.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST COLUMBAN have written to express thanks to parishioners for their generosity for their recent appeal where the amazing sum of £926.61 was donated.

WE REMEMBER OUR DEAD and the communion that we still enjoy with them during the month of November. We also pray and offer Masses for the repose of their souls in the eternal life of God.

Why do we offer Mass for the dead? We believe that there exists a living communion between us and our brothers and sisters “who have gone ahead of us marked the sign of faith”. Just as we pray for each other and share each other’s burdens on earth, we can offer prayers and sacrifices to help the departed souls undergoing purification, and no better prayer could be offered than that of the holy sacrifice of the Mass.

How do you offer a Mass for a deceased person?

i) Please write the name of the deceased on an envelope and mark "RIP"

ii) There is no payment for having a Mass said for a deceased loved one, but you may wish to make an offering. In this way you participate more intimately in the sacrifice of the Mass offered, by making a sacrifice of your own, and, you help support and provide for the physical needs of the clergy.

iii) Please hand in your envelope to the office and, Mo, the parish secretary, will allocate a date and time for the Mass to be said either in the parish or the Mass will be offered by a priest elsewhere. Sometimes Mass intentions will be sent to priests in other parts of this country or abroad who have very few Mass intentions of their own.

iv) You may want to send a Mass card to the family; these are available from the parish office.

NOVEMBER DEAD ENVELOPES During November, please write and place the names of your deceased in these envelopes. The names of your deceased will be placed before the altar at every Mass and those "who have gone ahead of us marked by the sign of faith" will be raised up before the Lord in prayer. Please place the name(s) of your deceased loved ones with any donation in the 'Holy Souls' envelope hand in to Clergy or put through the letter box of Clergy House.

ALL ARE WELCOME Parishioners and friends are warmly welcome between 1.00 - 3.00 p.m. on **Friday 4th November** in the small parish hall for teas/coffees/biscuits/cake and fellowship. Please do come along and join us; all are welcome!

YOUR OFFERING Banking cash continues to be a real problem for us due to the closure of many High Street branches therefore, if at all possible, *please* support the parish by setting up a standing order in place of giving cash. If you are a taxpayer, we would also be grateful if you would Gift Aid your offering. For more information go to

www.cathedralbrentwood.org/gift-aid-explained/

We do understand that there are some people who cannot do this or who would prefer to continue make their offering by cash. We will continue to pass round the collection bag as normal. *Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the running, work and mission of the Cathedral parish.*

A TIME OF RETREAT AND REFLECTION Bookings have now open for this SILENT RETREAT in Brentwood. The theme is 'My Lord and my God' with a call to a renewed intimacy with Jesus. The guest speaker is Fr Martin Boland. **Friday 4th-Sunday 6th November**. To book, go to the events' page of the Sion Community website - www.sioncommunity.org.uk

BRENTWOOD REMEMBRANCE SERVICE AND PARADE will be taking place on Sunday 13th November and will mean that Ingrave Road will be shut from 10.15 - 11.45 a.m. therefore

please be aware that this will have an impact on both our 9.15 and 11.30 a.m. Masses.

NEW CTS SUNDAY MISSAL The new CTS 2023 Sunday Missal will be available for purchase from the parish office at a price of £8.50 each. The Missals run from the First Sunday of Advent 2022 to Christ the King 2023. They can also be purchased online www.ctsbooks.org/product/sunday-missal-2023/

PRIMARY SCHOOLS APPLICATIONS. If you are going to apply for a primary Catholic school with your child starting in September 2023, you must have **registered** as a parishioner (see below). Please note that:

- a) Fr Martin will know those families who have been practising their faith by coming to Sunday Mass. These families will receive a Certificate of Catholic Practice.
- b) If you have not been practising your faith, please do not approach Fr Martin for a Certificate of Catholic Practice as he will not be able to provide you with this document. Instead, apply directly to the Catholic school of choice.
- c) If you are applying to a non-Catholic school that requires evidence of religious practice and you have been practising your faith, please come to see Fr Martin
- d) If you are applying to a non-Catholic school that requires evidence of religious practice and you have *not* been practising your faith, please do not approach Fr Martin. Instead, apply directly to the non-Catholic school of your choice.
- e) Please note that Fr Martin will not supply additional references or documentation to parents who may go to appeal for a place at a non-Catholic school.

Fr Martin will only be available at the following time in Clergy House. There is no need to make an appointment:

<p style="text-align: center;">PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS Wednesday 23rd November~ 4.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.</p>

MASS TIMES in the Cathedral:

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS at 6.30 p.m. in the Cathedral.

SUNDAY: 8.00 a.m. / 9.30 a.m. / 11.30 a.m. & 6.30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES Monday to Friday at 9.15 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is available in the Cathedral on Saturdays from 10.00 - 11.00 a.m.

READERS AT MASS. Would you be interested in proclaiming God's word to the community at Sunday Mass? Do you have a clear and expressive reading voice? If so, please contact Fr Martin through the parish office.

DETAILS OF PARISH ANNIVERSARIES AND SICK LIST can be found on the narthex noticeboard and at www.cathedralbrentwood.org/news/news-latest.pdf

REGISTER AS A CATHEDRAL PARISHIONER Each adult parishioner should either go to "Parish Census" at www.cathedralbrentwood.org or use the QR code below:

For those of you who cannot complete the registration form online, forms are available in the narthex of the Cathedral. Once the form is completed, please return it to Clergy House.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK and housebound parishioners and friends, including: Hermine Bayley, Madeleine Bevan, Phil Carr, David, Iris Davis, Patricia Decup, Sheena Docherty, Charlotte Donnelly, Laura Fitzgerald, Fr Stewart Foster, Julian Goode, Angela Harris, David Hill, Tom Holland, Ann Hurcombe, Wong Su Hwa, Jess, Brian Kelleher, Lisa Landy, Lawrence, Susan Maskall, Tony Maule, John McCarthy, Mary McCarthy, Mrs McGuane, Carmel Micallef, Kath Murnane, Harry Newman, Barney O'Driscoll, Joe O'Herlihy, Steven Poole, Anne Rowe, Helena

Rowe, Geraldine Sheehan, Robin Shenton, David Spring, Tim, TCT and all our sick.

GENERAL NEWS

HELPING THOSE IN UKRAINE, and Ukrainian Refugees. Caritas Brentwood are regularly updating information on their website, covering donations, prayer, and welcoming those who are fleeing Ukraine. You will find everything at: <https://www.caritasbrentwood.org/ukraine/>

ST HELEN'S CATHOLIC INFANT SCHOOL: Prospective Reception Parents 2023-24 Tours. There will be meetings and tours of the school for prospective parents (Reception 2023) on **Tuesday 1st November, 9.30 a.m.** and Thursday 10th November 9.30 a.m. Please contact the school office to book a slot: admin@st-helens-inf.essex.sch.uk

BRENTWOOD URSULINE SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING - Thursday 3rd November 6.30 - 8.30 p.m. with Headteacher's talk at 6.30 p.m. For more information call 01227 227156 or email admin@buchs.co.uk

BCYS YOUTH MASS WITH DAVID WELLS - Thursday 3rd November beginning with pizza and refreshments at 6.00 p.m. in the Brentwood Cathedral Parish Hall, the BCYS are delighted to be joined by David Wells whose funny, witty and inspiring words have reached people all over the world, as he helps to think about your future, whatever that may look like, and answer questions. Youth Mass will then be celebrated in the Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. Absolutely everyone is very welcome!

CATECHIST TRAINING AND RESOURCES DAY - 5th November, 10.00 a.m. - 3.00 p.m. at Sacred Heart of Mary School, Upminster. Open to any First Holy Communion and Confirmation Catechists, as well as those leading Youth Groups, Children's Liturgy or similar! A range of fantastic workshops and keynote speech from David Wells. There will also be a session for any young catechists looking to develop their faith post-

confirmation (16+). For all information and to book, please visit www.bcys.net/events/catechistday2022

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE: for those who have a loved one remembered within the grounds of Walsingham House at Abbotswick there will be a special Mass of Remembrance on **Sunday 6th November** at 2.30pm in the Chapel with light refreshments afterwards. For more information or to book a place please contact Joe on 01277 373959 or via email josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org

BCCS CHRISTMAS CRAFT & GIFT FAIR The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Christmas Craft and Gift Fair is being held at The Mill Hall Arts & Events Centre, Bellingham Lane, Rayleigh SS6 7ED on **Sunday 6th November** from 10.30am - 4pm. Come along and browse 40 local stalls with many unique items to offer and pick up an early Christmas present. Entrance is £1.50 and under 14's and enter for free.

THE NEXT "ENQUIRERS' EVENING" for those considering or interested in a vocation to the priesthood is on **Tuesday 8th November** at St Edmund of Canterbury Church in Loughton. For further information please contact Fr Mark Swires vocprom@dioceseofbrentwood.org

CALAIS LIGHT is calling you to join us on our refugee convoys to Calais. Age 18+. **18-20 November** and **9-11 December**. Experienced Continental drivers are extra welcome. A promised weekend of fun and fulfilment is guaranteed. Volunteer and help refugees. Full information and details about bookings at www.calaislight.com. Can't make the trip? Please donate at: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/6n9sg-calais-light>

WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY - 20th NOVEMBER 2022 World Youth Sunday is a unique opportunity to celebrate the role and significance of young people in the Catholic Church in England and Wales, along with the global Church.

A representative of The Brentwood Catholic Youth Service will be speaking about their work, and holding a second collection on this weekend. (you can also donate online at www.bcys.net/donate) Anything you can give is so greatly appreciated, as any money raised on will go towards supporting those in need of financial support to go on pilgrimages and to events, as well as allowing us to continue running our events, provide support and training to those working with young people and so much more. And of course, please do pray for all young people in your parish, in our Diocese and around the world.

ST HELEN'S CATHOLIC JUNIOR SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS for Prospective Parents' - **8th and 9th November** - from 9.30 a.m. each morning. These mornings are for the parents of children due to start Year 3 in September 2023. Year 6 pupils will be giving tours of the school.

LONDON MARATHON 2023 Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has a number of Gold Bond Charity places for runners in the London Marathon taking place on **Sunday 23rd April 2023**. If you are an experienced runner or someone who would value the opportunity to participate in this renowned event, please contact Damian Dillon for further details on 07912 308000 / ddillon@bccs.org.uk. The **closing date** for completed applications is **Friday 11th November** and please note that there is a minimum sponsorship requirement of £1800 (excluding Gift Aid). If you have been lucky enough to secure your own running place through the ballot, we would invite you to join us and run for Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. The London Marathon is a unique opportunity to raise much needed funds for the Diocesan Children's Society and perhaps achieve a lifetime ambition at the same time.

BCYS SUMMER LOURDES 2023 Applications are now open for the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service pilgrimage to Lourdes, from 23rd - 30th July 2023! The week is spent travelling alongside the main Diocesan pilgrimage to assist the elderly and infirm, and for those travelling with the BCYS, the week will

also include a retreat, reconciliation service, the chance to visit the baths, a trip to a UNESCO World Heritage site, social nights and party as well as experiencing the Lourdes Torchlight Procession and Blessed Sacrament Procession. Open to anyone in school year 10 and above, all information and details on how to apply can be found at www.bcys.net/events/sl23

VACANCY The Marillac Neurological Care Centre provides care and treatment for 52 residents with complex neurological conditions. We provide 24-hour nursing and therapy services for people over the age of 18 with complex acquired neurological and physical disabilities. We are looking for kind and passionate Health Care Assistants and Registered Nurses to become an integral part of our team at the Marillac Neurological Care Centre. For more details contact Leah West on 01277 220276 or email leahw@marillac.co.uk

VACANCY The Ursuline Preparatory School are seeking to appoint an EYFS experienced Teacher Assistant at our thriving Prep. School. Required for January start. The successful candidate for the full-time EYFS Teacher Assistant position will be expected to support the class teacher and children within the class. Salary offered will be dependent on knowledge and experience. Please apply in writing with accompanying CV to Mrs. Wilson, Headteacher at the school or via e-mail: secretary@ursulineprepwarley.co.uk Closing date **Friday 11th November 2022.**

LEADERSHIP VACANCIES IN DIOCESAN SCHOOLS Details of all positions can be found at the following link <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/>

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QR CODES and CONTACTLESS GIVING A new online donation system has been set up so that parishioners and visitors are now able to donate by using a QR code directly to the Parish; donations can be made either with or without gift aid using the QR codes below or by scanning those displayed around the Cathedral:

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Please treat as gift aid donation, all qualifying gifts of money made from the date of this declaration. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that, if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in the current year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations, it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Donate £3.00	Donate £5.00	Donate £10.00	Donate £20.00

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If you are unable to donate with Giftaid-It then please use the codes below.

Donate £3.00	Donate £5.00	Donate £10.00	Donate £20.00